

Noteworthy

Prayer Requests: Joe Brown (*ongoing medical*), Linda James (*ongoing medical*), Sylvester Johnson (*bone marrow transplant on horizon*), Leon Miller (*complications from treatment*), Neil & Ahreah Miller (*He with his eyes and she with her leg rehabilitation*), Carla Moore (*dealing with her family's current struggles*), Butch Morgan (*ongoing medical*), Steve Parker (*as he continues to recuperate from heart surgery*), Moses & Mary Stevens (*with their health*); for all brethren, in Lakeland and elsewhere (*that our lights will shine during the current difficult circumstances*).

Family and friends: Vivian Dillman, Ned Hicks (*Larry Hicks' father*), Brian James (*cancer*), Greg Lincoln (*Jill Boyette's bother; in NY to help with pandemic*), Fritz Marschall (*Bob's mother had successful surgery last week*), John Marschall (*Bob Marschall's father recuperating from recent fall*), Kirk Marschall (*With long-term rehab*), Ricky Ross (*Robyn Day's father*), Suzette Stevens' nephew (*Her sister's son, Aaron had a stroke recently*), Dorothy Trice (*Carla Moore's mother*), Beth Weeks (*In Corner, AL recovering from brain tumor removal*).

Worship Services: Sunday AM worship has resumed for Sunday (9:50) with precautions (*social distancing, etc.*) set in place. Zoom studies will continue on Sunday (6PM) and Wednesday evenings (7PM) in the place of regular worship services. Bob Marschall is facilitating those and can provide the necessary links and passwords. Please let us know how we can assist you.

Moving: Jimmy and Diane Fields will be moving to North Florida this Thursday. Charles and Vernita Goodall will be moving soon to Tennessee to be close to their children. Though these couples will be sorely missed, we wish them the very best with their move.

Remember and encourage those who are struggling physically and spiritually.

Psalm 29:1-4

1 Give unto the LORD, O you mighty ones,

Give unto the LORD glory and strength.

2 Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name;

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

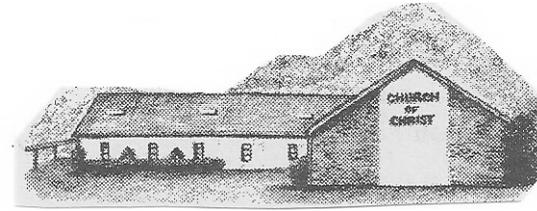
3 The voice of the LORD is over the waters;

The God of glory thunders;

The LORD is over many waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is powerful;

The voice of the LORD is full of majesty.



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SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Study 9:00 A.M.

Morning Services 9:50 A.M.

Evening Services 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

DEACONS:

Robert Marschall

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David Williams

“Send ME”

God needed someone to go preach to His people. When God asked, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?” Isaiah replied, “Here am I, send me” (Isaiah 6:8).

We could use more people like Isaiah today, people who make themselves available to do whatever the Lord needs done. Not “send him,” “send her,” or “send them,” but “send ME.”

Lord, you need someone to take the gospel to this community, and beyond (Acts 8:4)? “Here am I, send ME.”

Lord, you need someone to invite others to hear the gospel (Acts 10:24)? “Here am I, send ME.”

Lord, you need someone to encourage new converts (Acts 11:23). “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone who can give more liberally (2 Corinthians 9:6), so that more people can be taught the gospel? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to teach that class, whether online or in person (Hebrews 5:12-14; 2 Timothy 2:2)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”
 Lord, you need someone to restore that erring brother (Galatians 6:1; James 5:19-20)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to commend the faithful, to maybe keep them from growing “weary” (Galatians 6:9)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to teach and encourage the young people (Titus 2:3-8), knowing they face some unique temptations (2 Timothy 2:22)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to go and encourage Christians in other places (Philippians 2:19-24; 1 Thessalonians 3:1-5)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to visit the sick (Matthew 25:36, 39-40)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to give “pleasant words” (Proverbs 16:24) to the discouraged? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to comfort the grieving, to “weep with those who weep” (Romans 12:15)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to pay closer attention to the elderly, and to others who may have special needs (Acts 9:36-39; James 1:27). “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to provide financial assistance to those who have fallen on hard times (Ephesians 4:28; Romans 12:13; 1 Timothy 6:18)? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

Lord, you need someone to look in Your word for even more ways to glorify Your name? “Here am I, send **ME.**”

~ Bryan Gibson

“Baptism and the Blood”

The blood of Jesus saves us from our sins: the blood was “*shed for many for the remission of sins*” (Matthew 26:28). What does baptism have to do with the blood?

Peter preached, “*Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost*” (Acts 2:38). Note that the expression “*for remission of sins*” is the same as in Mat-

thew 26:28. Jesus shed His blood for the remission of sins. How can both be true?

The answer is in Romans 6:3-4: “*Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*” This tells us that when we are baptized into Christ we are baptized into His death. We contact Christ's blood when we obey the gospel and are baptized into Christ.

What saves us? The blood of Jesus. How do we avail ourselves of the blood? Through baptism into Christ. Is baptism a work of our own merit? No. We simply must submit to the will of God. Now, how can anyone deny the necessity of baptism?

~ T. Doy Moyer

“WHAT THEN?”

When all the great plants of our cities
 Have turned out their last finished work;
 When our merchants have sold their last yard
 of silk,
 And dismissed the tired, weary clerk;
 When our banks have taken in their last dollar
 And declared their last dividend;
 When the Judge of the World says, “Close for
 the night,”
 And asks for a balance — WHAT THEN?

When the chorus has sung its last anthem
 And the preacher has said his last prayer;
 When the people have heard their last sermon
 And the sound has died out on the air;
 When the Bible lies closed on the altar
 And the pews are all empty of men,
 When we all stand facing the record
 And the Great Book is opened, — WHAT
 THEN?

When the actor has played his last drama
 And the mimic has made his last fun;
 When the film has flashed its last picture
 And the billboard displayed its last run;
 When the crowds seeking pleasure have vanished,
 And gone out into darkness again,
 When the Trumpet of All Ages is sounded
 And we all stand before God, — WHAT
 THEN?

When the bugle's last call sinks in silence
 And the long, marching columns stand still;
 When the Captain has given his last orders,
 And they've captured the last fort and hill,
 When the flag has been hauled from the mast-
 head,
 And all wounded soldiers have checked in;
 When a world that rejected its Savior,
 Is asked for a reason, — WHAT THEN?

~ Anonymous